Prayer and Care List

Please pray for those who are homebound, sick and grieving:
At home: Liz & Vann Johnson, Harriet Heath, Pat Spear
Lake Prince Woods: Sarah & Milt Brown
***Parsons*:** Mary Alice Thomasson

Clergy and Staff

Pastor	Rev. Dr. H. Celeste Heath
Liturgist	Rev. Ellen Comstock
Lindauer Endowed Chair for Music and Fine Arts	Chris Titko
Administrative Assistants	Pam Snider, Joyce Thacker
Communications	Bonnie White, Chris Titko
Audio Visuals Control	Ray Comstock
Bookkeeper	Dianne Hunter
Pastor Emeritus	Rev. Ray Edmonds
Choral Scholars	A'Miya Polansky, Annie O'Shea, Caroline Tovar, Miles Pifer

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Calendar

November 3	7pm Southside Band
November 4	10am Leadership Board Meeting
	5pm Wednesday Night Dinner
November 5	3:30pm Violin classes
	6pm Handbell Rehearsal
	7:15pm Choir Rehearsal

Monumental United Methodist Church

November 1, 2026
All Saints Sunday **11:00 a.m.**

ENTRANCE

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *Deep River* *R. Hobby*

Introit *I Sing a Song of the Saints of God* *J. Hopkins*

***Call to Worship**
On this All Saints Sunday, we gather to remember teachers and storytellers who made God's stories come alive for us.
We give thanks!
We remember choir members, organists, bell ringers, and all the musicians who sang and played your praises.
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We remember preachers and lay leaders who led our worship through the years.
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We remember parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, and siblings who showed us how to hold fast to the faith.
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We remember our church families – this one and others we have loved. We remember all those who have been a part of this faith

family with whom we grew our faith and our love for God and neighbor.
We give thanks!

We remember our ancestors in the faith whose courage enables us to be here today.
We give thanks for the saints who came before us, are present here with us, and will continue after us. Thanks be to God!

***Hymn** *For All the Saints vs. 1,2,4,6* *Hymnal #711*

Opening Prayer
Our Loving Creator, all that we have comes from you. We gather in your presence, surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, people from every tribe and nation, every kindred and tongue, to lift our voices in praise, to be transformed into your saints, to be sent out to gather others to share the eternal banquet. Receive the praise we offer, work in us and through us. You alone are holy, you alone are the Most High, you alone are worthy of our praise. Glory to you, O God, and to the Lamb, our Shepherd, and to the Spirit that unites us all, today and ever more. Amen.

Scripture Lesson *Matthew 5:1-12*

Offering
Anthem *Psalm 121* *H. Sorenson*
***Doxology** *page 94*

***Hymn** *Rejoice in God's Saints* *Hymnal #708*

Sermon *Looking for Saints*

Hymn *Hymn of Promise vs. 1,3* *Hymnal #707*

Remembering the Saints
William Aubrey Roane
Anne Eastes
John Thomas Byrum, Jr
Dorothy Williams
Paul Edward Heath, Jr
Celia Alexander

Prayer of Confession
We bless your holy name, O God, for all your servants who, having finished their course, now rest from their labors. Thank you for the tremendous sacrifices made by those who have gone before us. May we learn how to walk wisely from their examples of faith, dedication, worship, and love. Bless the memories of your saints, and forgive us when we fail to remember the foundation they laid for us and our faith. Give us grace to follow the example of their steadfastness and faithfulness, and let us be thankful for our ancestors in faith. May we honor their memory and bring glory to you, as we prepare for this meal, in communion with all your saints, through Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Service of Holy Communion and Lighting of Candles
Holy Communion will be served by intinction. You will receive a piece of bread and dip it in the cup. After receiving the bread and cup, you are invited to light a candle on the table in memory of a loved one or friend. After lighting a candle you may go to the altar for prayer.

Holy Communion and Lighting of Remembrance Candles

***Hymn** *Sing with All the Saints of Glory* *Hymnal #702*

***Benediction**
Benediction Response *When the Saints Go Marching In* *J. Black*

Postlude *Improvisation of All Saints* *C. Titko*
***Please stand if you are able.**

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